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For: **MEANS FOR IDENTIFYING THE LOCUS OF A MAJOR
RESISTANCE GENE TO THE RICE YELLOW MOTTLE
VIRUS, AND THEIR APPLICATIONS**

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March 12, 2002

 Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Notice dated February 13, 2002, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are requested.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Amend the specification as follows.

Insert the attached substitute specification for the copy of the application originally filed.

Page 11, delete the paragraph spanning lines 26-30 and insert the following therefor:

--Figure 11 A. Genetic map of the region flanking the resistance gene in the

IR64 x Gigante population.

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